



Recreation Restoration Infrastructure Grant



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Introduction

Here in Utah, we love our amazing outdoor places. As our population continues to grow at a rapid pace and visitation continues to increase, even more of us are hitting the trails, going on family camping trips, or enjoying other outdoor recreation adventures that contribute to the heavy stress on the state's outdoor resources and the facilities that served us for decades.

Utahns have made it clear they want these outdoor areas to remain beautiful and accessible for future generations to enjoy. In particular, communities that recognize these recreation areas as large economic drivers want maintenance programs and funding that keep up with use. For this purpose, the Recreation Restoration Infrastructure (RRI) grant program was created. The RRI grant program will award funds to restore high-priority trails, or repair or replace other types of developed recreation infrastructure. These efforts will aid deferred maintenance and reduce the backlog of infrastructure projects on public lands.

Recreation Restoration Infrastructure Grant Program

What It Funds:	Funding is for deferred heavy maintenance, restoration or reconstruction of projects on public lands.
Grant Size:	\$1,000 – \$150,000
Submission Period:	January 15 – March 20, 2020
Eligible Entities:	Nonprofits / Local governments / Tribal governments
Public Lands:	The infrastructure must be on publicly owned lands, which can be city, county, state or federally owned and managed. If on federal or state managed lands, coordination with the appropriate land management organization is essential.
Partnership:	For work on federally or state managed lands, the applicant should have an agreement with the appropriate entity.
Matching Requirements:	Minimum of 50/50 match requirement to be derived from cash, contributed funding and in-kind resources.
Completion Requirements:	Project must be completed within 24 months of the date the contract is signed Grant funding is given after the applicant's spend.

Eligible Infrastructure Projects

The RRI Grant funds can be used for the rehabilitation or restoration of summer-use recreation amenities on public lands in areas that receive high visitation.

	<p>Trails:</p> <p>Repair, realignment, reconstruction or other major maintenance projects for both non-motorized and motorized trails and needed repairs or replacements of trail infrastructure such as bridges, culverts, trail signage, interpretation signage, trailhead kiosks, trailhead restroom, overlook structures, etc.</p>
	<p>Campground/Picnic Sites:</p> <p>Repair, replacement or reconstruction of campsite parking areas, potable water sources, tables, fire rings, restrooms, kiosks, rustic shelters for shade or rustic structures for visitor lodging, signage, etc.</p>
	<p>Water Recreation Infrastructure:</p> <p>Repair, replacement or reconstruction of boat docks, fishing piers, shoreline boardwalks, boat launches, bank or shoreline repair for recreation areas, etc.</p>
	<p>Accessible Outdoor Recreation Facilities:</p> <p>Repair, replacement or reconstruction of recreation amenities that would be accessible to visitors with disabilities within the above categories.</p>
	<p>What Is Not Funded By The Grants?</p> <p>While RRI funds can be used for major reconstruction or restoration of the infrastructure, RRI is not for annual maintenance and upkeep. The RRI funding is not appropriate for wilderness area trails.</p>

Contact Us

For more information and to access the application, please visit business.utah.gov/outdoor/rri.

The Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation administers the RRI grant program.

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